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Arlene Poncelet, Executive Director South Dakota Council on Developmental Disabilities 500 E. Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

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Dear Ms. Poncelet,

I am pleased to write this letter in support of the Center for Disabilities of South Dakota's application for the Public Information Grant.

Extending this funding will allow the Center for Disabilities to maintain their excellent work of producing and disseminating information and accessible materials to individuals with disabilities, along with their families and community members throughout South Dakota.

I am the parent of four children, the oldest of whom had profound and complex medical and developmental needs. Although he passed away last year, during his lifetime our family was fortunate to enough to be on the receiving end of information, resources, and support provided by the Center for Disabilities. They and their partners have also been a source of support since his passing, proving that the assistance they provide extends across the lifespan and beyond. We sincerely appreciate the work and compassion exhibited by the Center for Disabilities, for not only our family but for so many others across South Dakota.

I hope you will consider extending their funding so the work may continue.

Yours sincerely,

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Eleanor Turner